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AMPLIFICATION OF TARGET NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES,
MEASURED IN REAL-TIME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This

application is a continuation of international application number PCT/ FR01/02385, filed July 20, 2001, pending."

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-47. Please add claims 48- 97 as follows:

48. The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the diameter of the channels is 0.2 mm or less.
49. The cartridge of claim 1, wherein the capacity of the reservoir is in the range of 0.1 ml to 1 ml.
50. The cartridge of claim 1, which comprises 20 to 500 reaction chambers.